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## PART III.

### Legislative Measures and Rules thereunder.

### NOTIFICATIONS.

*No. Fl.* 3137—*G. F.* 7-26, *dated* 19*th October* 1926.

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 23 (*d*) of the Mysore Securities Regulation, VIII of 1925, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to order the following amendment of Rule 22 of the Rules under the Securities Regulation, VIII of 1925, the same having been previously published in the *Mysore Gazette*, as required by Sub-section of the said Section:—

Substitute the following for Rule 22:—

"An indemnity bond taken on the issue of a renewed, converted, consolidated or sub-divided Security shall be, as nearly as may be, in form XII and shall be for twice the amount of the Security or Securities, as the case may be, with two sureties. The Comptroller may also permit the applicant to furnish collateral security in the shape of Government securities to be deposited with him for such amount and period as the Comptroller may think fit. When the amount of the indemnity bond to be executed does not exceed Rs. 100, the Comptroller may, at his discretion, if satisfied as to the solvency of the applicant, accept the indemnity bonds without sureties."

By Order,

B. SREENIVASA IYENGAR,
*Financial Secretary to Government.*

*No. L. 2620—L. B. 26-26-54, dated 19th October 1926.*

In supersession of the rules in force on the subject and in exercise of the powers vested in them by and under the provisions of Sections 5 and 65 (2) (*b*) and (1) of the Mysore Village Panchayet Regulation and all other powers in this behalf, the following rules for regulating the election of Members to Village Panchayets and for publication of Notifications or orders, are made by the Government :--

*Elections.*

1. If a Panchayet is formed for a group of villages, the Deputy Commissioner shall fix the number of members to be elected for each village in the group so that every village in the group shall be adequately represented by election.

2. When a Panchayet is to be constituted or reconstituted or when a casual vacancy occurs among the elected Panchayetdars, the Amildar shall fix a date for the election of Panchayetdars or a Panchayetdar in the village or villages as the case may be. At least fourteen days before the said date a notice shall be published calling on the residents of the village or villages who are entitled to vote under Section 7 to assemble at a particular time and place.

3. Whenever a vacancy occurs among Panchayetdars, the Chairman of the Panchayet shall report the fact within 15 days of the occurrence to the Amildar.

4. Every notice under rule 2 shall be published—

(*a*) by affixing a copy thereof in the office of the village Panchayet, in the village chavadi, if any, or in a conspicuous place in the village, and

(*b*) by beat of drum in the village.

The notice shall also be republished by beat of drum in the village on the date of election at least two hours before the time fixed for the election.

5. The Amildar or any person deputed by the Deputy Commissioner, who shall, for the purpose of these rules, be termed the Presiding Officer, shall preside at the meeting of the voters in the village and conduct the election.

6. The Presiding Officer shall admit to the place specified in the notice only, such persons as are entitled to vote under Section 7. He shall then and there hear and decide any objection to the admission or exclusion of a person as a voter and his decision shall be final. A record should be kept of his decisions, with brief reasons therefor.

7. Any person who is qualified to be a candidate under Section 9 may intimate his desire to stand for election to the Presiding Officer who shall note down the name of every such candidate. He shall, on his own motion or on objection taken by any of the voters present, reject the name of any person who is disqualified under Section 8 to be a candidate and his decision shall be final for the conduct of the election.

8. The Presiding Officer shall then read out the names of the candidates approved for election.

9. If the number of the approved candidates is not more than the number of Panchayetdars required to be elected, the Presiding Officer shall declare all the candidates to be elected.

10. If the number of such candidates is in excess of the number of Panchayetdars to be elected, the Presiding Officer shall proceed to conduct the election.

11. Every voter shall be entitled to vote for as many candidates as there are members to be elected, provided that not more than one vote is given for any one candidate.

12. All voters wishing to vote must be present at the place and time notified under Rule 2 and no votes by proxy or in writing shall be received.

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13. If the assembled voters of the village unanimously desire to be allowed to consult together and to elect the members in their own manner out of the approved candidates read out under Rule 8, the Presiding Officer shall allow them to do so and to report to him the names of the persons they have elected and if no objection is taken, the Presiding Officer shall declare such persons to have been duly elected.

14. If the procedure laid down in Rule 13 is not adopted for any reason, the Presiding Officer shall proceed to take a poll, recording the number of votes given for each candidate with his own hand.

15. The candidate or candidates for whom most of the votes have been given shall then and there be declared by the Presiding Officer to have been duly elected.

16. If there is an equal number of votes in favour of each of two or more candidates and the addition of one vote will entitle any of the candidates to be elected, the determination of the candidate or candidates to be elected shall be made forthwith by the Presiding Officer by lot in such manner as he may deem fit.

17. If any candidate duly elected at an election intimates in writing to the Presiding Officer, his unwillingness to be a Panchayetdar, the person, if any, amongst the unsuccessful candidates, in whose favour the highest number of votes has been given and who is willing to take up office, shall be deemed to be the member elected.

18. The names of the candidate or candidates declared to have been duly elected shall be immediately published in the village chavadi and at the office of the panchayet, by the Presiding Officer who shall also report the result of the election to the Amildar.

19. All disputes relating to elections to a Panchayet except those in which the Presiding Officer's order is final under Rule 6, shall be decided by the Assistant Commissioner in charge of the Taluk on an application filed within 15 days of the date on which the Presiding Officer declares the result of the election; but no election shall be invalidated on account of informality not corruptly caused or on account of any irregularity which does not materially affect the result of the election. An appeal may be filed within 15 days from the date of the order of the Assistant Commissioner to the Deputy Commissioner. The decision of the Deputy Commissioner shall be final.

PUBLICATION.

20. All notifications or orders issued by Government or other authority under the Regulation may be published in the *Mysore Gazette*, or in such other manner as the Government or such authority may deem fit.

By Order,
B. NAGAPPA,
*Secretary to Government,*
*Local and Legislative Departments.*